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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)	FCC - MAILROOM
Amendment of Section 73.202(b) Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Northport, Alabama)) MM Docket) RM)	

To: The Chief, Allocations Branch

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

Comes now TTI, INC., (hereafter "Petitioner"), pursuant to Section 1.401 of the Commission's Rules, and respectfully petitions the Commission to amend the FM Table of Allotments, 47 C.F.R. 73.202(b), to allocate FM Channel 286A to Northport, Alabama, as that community's second local FM service.

Proposal of Petitioner:		
	<u>Channel N</u>	Iumbers
City	Present	Proposed
Northport, Alabama	264C3 <u>1</u> /	264C3, 286A
1/ WLXY holds a Construction	Permit on Channel 263C1 (B	PH-19991012AAG)

No. of Copies rec'd 0+5 List ABCDE MB - 02-340 In support of this proposal, the following information is herewith submitted for consideration:

Northport is an incorporated community located in Tuscaloosa County in west central Alabama, approximately 145 kilometers northwest of Montgomery, Alabama. The city population is 19,435 2/. Adoption of this proposal will provide Northport with its second local FM broadcast service.

Attached hereto and made a part of this petition is a Technical Exhibit in support of the requested allotment. Based on the information contained therein, it appears that the requested channel could be allocated to Northport, in full compliance with the minimum distance separation requirements of Section 73.207(b) of the Commission's Rules, with the imposition of a site-restriction as specified in the Technical Exhibit.

If this proposal is adopted, Petitioner will promptly apply for authority to construct and operate a new FM broadcast station at Northport, Alabama. If a construction permit is granted, Petitioner will promptly construct and operate the proposed station.

^{2/} Population figures from the 2000 U.S. Census.

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In accordance with Section 1.52 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing Petition for Rule Making and the attached Technical Exhibit and that both are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the instant petition be granted and that the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b), be amended as requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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TECHNICAL EXHIBIT

IN SUPPORT OF
PETITION FOR RULE MAKING
NEW FM - CHANNEL 286A
NORTHPORT, ALABAMA

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TECHNICAL EXHIBIT

IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR RULE MAKING NEW FM - CHANNEL 286A NORTHPORT, ALABAMA

TTI, INC.

INTRODUCTION

This Technical Exhibit supports the petition of TTI, INC., seeking to amend the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Rules, by allocating FM Channel 286A to Northport, Alabama, as that community's second local FM channel.

ALLOCATION

A study was performed using the computerized **SEARCHFM** frequency search program and the current FCC/NTIS database to determine if Channel 286A could be allocated in compliance with the minimum distance separation requirements of Section 73.207(b) of the Commission's Rules. The study included all applicable co-channel, adjacent-channel and IF separations. The results of that study indicate that Channel 286A may be allocated to Northport in full compliance with Section 73.207(b), provided a site-restriction approximately 12 kilometers west-southwest of the community were imposed.

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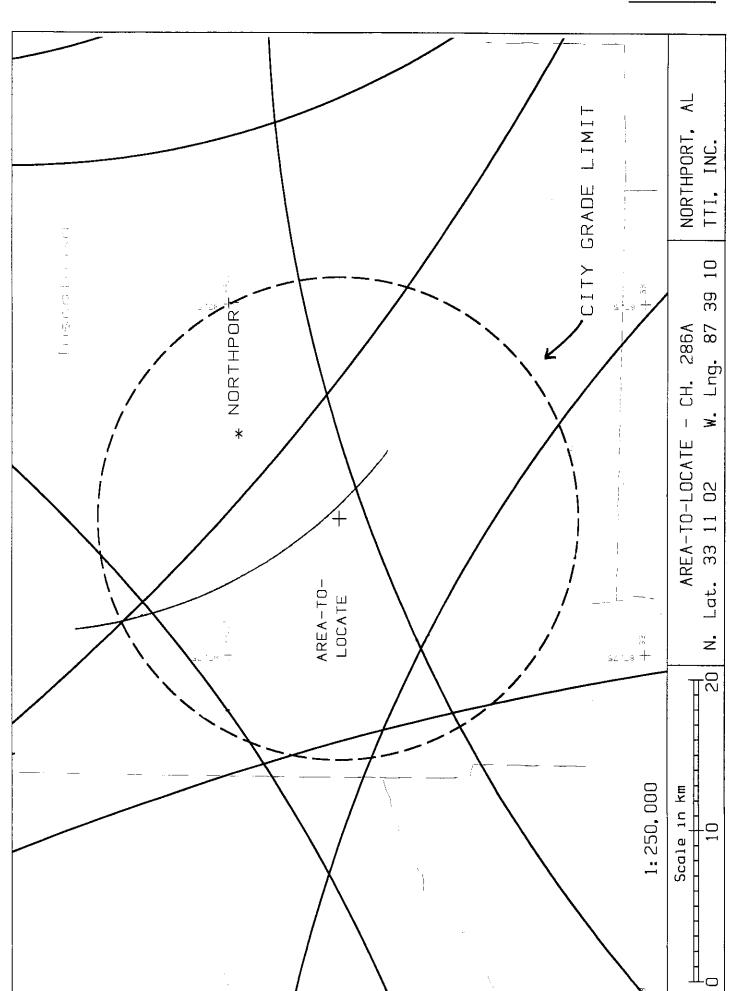
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The "area-to-locate" for Channel 286A is indicated on Exhibit A, attached hereto. The exhibit depicts the required separation arcs from all pertinent co-channel and adjacent channel stations and allocations. As indicated, there is ample area in the vicinity of Northport in which to locate a transmitter site. Assuming maximum Class A facilities (6 kw @ 100 meters above average terrain), a transmitter site at any location within the "area-to-locate" would enable the proposed station to provide adequate city-grade (70 dBu) coverage to the entire city, in full compliance with Section 73.315(a) and (b).

CONCLUSION

The proposed change in the table of allotments will not create a short-spacing to any existing station, pending application or vacant allotment, and will not require the reallocation of any station, pending application or vacant allotment.

A copy of the separation study for Channel 286A is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part of this report (only those stations and channels sufficiently close for concern are noted therein).



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EXHIBIT B

NORTHPORT ALABAMA CLASS A DROP-IN STUDY

REFERENCE 33 11 02 N	DISPLAY DATES DATA 09-17-02 SEARCH 10-01-02
Call Channel Location Dist Az N. Lat. W. Lng. Power HAAT	
WRTR LIC 288A Tuscaloosa AL 9.17 96 33 10 30 87 33 18 NCN 6.000 kW 91 M	5.2 31.0 -21.83
Capstar Tx Limited Partnershi BLH19901226KB WZZKFM CP 284C0 Birmingham AL 85.51 66 33 29 04 86 48 25 CY 100.000 kW 404 M	□¾□□9703 5.7 95.0 -9.49
WZZKFM LIC 284C Birmingham AL 85.58 66 33 29 02 86 48 21 CY 100.000 kW 396 M	5.8 95.0 -9.42
Cxr Holdings, Inc. BLH19831014AB WBFZ LIC 287C2 Selma AL 107.73 159 32 16 18 87 15 28 DE 50.000 kW 150 M	T¾□□9602 9.9 106.0 1.73
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Sand Mountain Broadcasting Se BPH20001208ADR WSLY LIC 285C2 York AL 114.94 209 32 16 54 88 15 23 CN 50.000 kW 150 M	Aæ□□0104 9.5 106.0 8.94
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CERTIFICATION

State of Mississippi)
) ss.
County of Bolivar)

- I, Larry G. Fuss, do hereby certify as follows:
- I am a qualified and experienced broadcast consultant. I have been actively involved in the broadcast industry since 1972 and currently hold a lifetime FCC General Class Radio Telephone License (License No. PG-8-8450).
- 2) I have prepared numerous applications and rule making petitions which have been accepted for filing with the Federal Communications Commission.
- 3) I have been retained by TTI, INC., to prepare the attached Technical Exhibit.
- The Technical Exhibit, of which this deposition is a part, and the measurements, calculations, studies and determinations upon which this report is based, were prepared by me or under my supervision and direction. All material contained therein is believed to be true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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